

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 26 January 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 51-99.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 01 June 1999 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 26 January 2005
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. This communication is in response to the applicants' amendments received on January 26, 2005.
2. Cancellation of claims 1-50 is acknowledged.
3. Claims 51-99 are allowed.
4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The primary reasons for the allowance of the independent claims 51, 65, 74, 82, 89 and 95 are the inclusion of the following limitations that are not found in the prior art and they are uniquely distinct features. The closest prior arts are Minor et al (5,740,252), Uhler et al (2001/0039587 A1) and Loeb et al (5,245,656). Minor discloses a method for accessing remote data repositories by a computer operator. An entry web site server intercepts the request from the computer operator for accessing a remote site. Uhler teaches a method for accessing web server by a client through a proxy server that uses a cookie. The cookie is received from the web server and it is transmitted back to the web site. Loeb teaches a method for operating customized information services via a communication network. Encryption techniques are used to protect the privacy of the actual information transmitted from the service provider to the

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end-user. However, These three arts, singularly or in combination, fail to anticipate or render the following limitations:

"Claim 51: accessing a storage associated with the proxy server, the storage storing identifiers for use by HTTP servers in retrieving user profile information stored in storages associated with the HTTP servers;

retrieving an identifier from the accessed storage based on the identity of the user;

inserting an additional field into the HTTP request to create a modified HTTP request, the additional field containing the retrieved identifier"

"Claim 65: receiving a modified HTTP request from a proxy server, wherein the proxy server created the modified HTTP request by inserting a field into an HTTP request intercepted by the proxy server, the inserted field containing an identifier;

parsing the modified HTTP request to extract the identifier;

using the extracted identifier to retrieve user profile information from a storage associated with the HTTP server"

"Claim 74: access a storage associated with the proxy server, the storage storing identifiers for use by HTTP servers in retrieving user profile information stored in storages associated with the HTTP servers;

retrieve an identifier from the accessed storage based on the identity of the user;

insert an additional field into the HTTP request to create a modified HTTP request, the additional field containing the retrieved identifier”

“Claims 82 and 95: receive a modified HTTP request from a proxy server, wherein the proxy server created the modified HTTP request by inserting a field into an HTTP request intercepted by the proxy server, the inserted field containing an identifier; parse the modified HTTP request to extract the identifier; use the extracted identifier to retrieve user profile information from a storage associated with the HTTP server”

“Claim 89: determine an identity of a user of the client computer in response to receiving the HTTP request;

retrieve an identifier from the storage based on the identity of the user;

insert an additional field into the HTTP request to create a modified HTTP request, the additional field containing the retrieved identifier”

5. The dependent claims 52-64, 66-73, 75-81, 83-88, 90-94 and 96-99 are allowed because they were originally found to include a unique feature not found in the closest abovementioned art.

6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Abdulhakim Nobahar whose telephone number is 571-272-3808. The examiner can normally be reached on M-T 8-6.

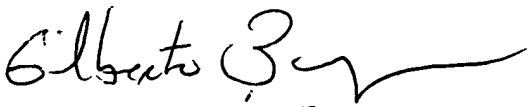
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gilberto Barron can be reached on 571-272-3799. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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